

Page 10, please amend the paragraph at lines 1 to 5 as follows.

a² The multibeam light source disclosed herein is used for scanning four beams, which is provided with a semiconductor laser array 1 having four light emitting points 1a₁ ~ 1a₄. The light source further includes a holder 2, a regulator/driver unit 3, a pressing member 4, a collimator lens 5, an aperture 6 and a bracket 7, to be assembled altogether in a single unit, as shown in FIG. 3A.

Page 10, please amend the paragraph at lines 6 to 12 as follows.

a³ The semiconductor laser array 1 is installed onto at least approximately at the center of the holder 2 by tightening two screws 8. During the fixing on the holder 2, the laser array 1 is placed so that four light emitting points 1a₁-1a₄ thereof are aligned at least in approximately linear relationship to one another in the secondary scanning direction shown by the arrow B using a positioning tool (not shown). In addition, the holder 2 is provided with an interfitting portion 2a, being protruded therefrom, and the interfitting portion 2a, in turn, is provided with a partial flange 2b at the top thereof.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 11-20 and 31-40 without prejudice.

The following is a clean copy of amended Claims 1, 2, 5, 6, 21, 22, 25, 26 and 29 with marked-up copies attached:

a⁴ 1. (Amended) An information recording multibeam light source comprising:
a semiconductor laser array including a plurality of light emitting points in a single package, said plurality of light emitting points being formed to be positioned in linear